

MINUTES
POCD STEERING COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 21, 2013 – 6:00 P.M.
MEETING #5
TOWN HALL ANNEX – COMMUNITY ROOM 2

GROTON PLAN OF CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT (POCD) AND
MUNICIPAL COASTAL PROGRAM UPDATES

I. ROLL CALL

Regular members present: Johnson (6:14), Kane, Pritchard, Scott (6:41),
Sherrard, Smith (6:14)
Absent: Cerf, Marquardt, Rafferty, Sutherland, Williams
Staff present: Murphy, Davis, Trask

Chairman Sherrard called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES of January 17, 2013 meeting

MOTION: To approve the minutes of January 17, 2013 as written.

Motion made by Kane, seconded by Pritchard. Motion passed unanimously.

III. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

Jim Furlong, 57 Fishtown Lane, addressed the Committee commenting on Open Space. Staff will forward a copy of Mr. Furlong's comments to the Committee.

IV. ITEM OF BUSINESS

1. Report from Steering Committee Representatives - none
2. Land Use Inventory

Mike Zuba, Milone & MacBroom, discussed revisions made per OPDS Staff including Paintball and Driving Ranges being classified as commercial properties. Land use mapping for Stonington has been obtained but is not available for Ledyard.

3. Historical / Cultural

Ali Church, Milone & MacBroom, discussed areas of significance in Groton. She discussed village zoning, local districts, certified local government and national districts and the national register. She discussed local historic district statistics.

4. Transportation

Mr. Zuba discussed Groton's public road network, functional classification of roads, average daily traffic volumes including average daily traffic figures throughout Groton. He discussed traffic accidents and congestion

which included the Suggested List of Surveillance Study Sites (SLOSSS). He briefly touched on bus service in Groton. At the request of the Committee, Mr. Zuba will gather ridership information. The Consultants have begun review on the Groton-New London Airport. Lastly, he discussed non-motorized networks throughout Groton which includes bikeways, multi-use trails, greenways and recreation trails.

5. Web Page

Mr. Zuba noted that the website is set to launch with all information discussed to date to be available.

6. May 15th and September Community Meetings

A Community Workshop will be held May 15th at 7:00 p.m. with Staff hoping to generate enough information by then for the public to comment on and discuss.

7. Report of Staff

The March 21, 2013 meeting will continue the transportation review, as well as begin discussion of housing.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 7:34 p.m. made by Kane, seconded by Johnson, so voted unanimously.

Jeff Pritchard, Secretary
Steering Committee

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